

THIRTY-SECOND CONGRESS.
Washington, Dec. 12.
SENATE.—The resolution extending a welcome to Kossuth was debated at great length by Messrs. Mallory, Badger and Seward. The question then being upon Mr. Seward's joint resolution, as follows:
"Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States, in Congress assembled, That the Congress of the United States in the name and in behalf of the people of the United States, give Louis Kossuth a cordial welcome to the capital."

The announcement of the result was followed with much applause in the gallery. The resolution was then read the third time and passed.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Mr. Bailey, of Virginia, offered a resolution, which was adopted, calling upon the President for information respecting the imprisonment and conviction of John A. Thrasher.

The resolution from the Senate, extending a welcome to Kossuth in behalf of the people of the United States, was then taken up and adopted without debate, under the operation of the previous question.

SENATE.—The Senate took up Mr. Foote's resolution declaring the Compromise a definite settlement of the Slavery question, when Mr. Butler took the floor and addressed the Senate in opposition to them.

Mr. Foote followed, and incidentally the whole question of the division of California was mixed up in the discussion.

Washington, Dec. 16.

SENATE.—Mr. Shields called up the resolution for the appointment of three to wait upon Louis Kossuth and introduce him to the Senate. Mr. Walker spoke at length in favor of the resolution, and in condemnation of neutrality. After some further discussion the resolution was adopted—yeas 30, nays 15.

The California branch mint bill passed. The compromise resolution of Mr. Foote was then taken up. Mr. Rhett spoke at great length and was followed by Messrs. Foote and Hale.

HOUSE.—Mr. Carter asked the unanimous consent of the House to introduce a resolution for the appointment of a committee of five to wait on Louis Kossuth, on his arrival at the Capital, and introduce him to the House of Representatives. Objections were made from several quarters.

SENATE.—A message was received from the President in reply to the resolution calling for information relative to the trial and imprisonment of Mr. Thrasher. Also a message in reply to the resolution calling for information about firing into the Prometheus.

Mr. Foote's resolution in reference to the compromise measures was then again taken up. Mr. Mason spoke upon the subject of length.

Washington, Dec. 18. 1856.

The House met at the usual hour. Senate bill, establishing a branch mint of the United States at Sacramento, was introduced.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Secretary of State, stating that nearly six thousand of the thousand dollars appropriated by Congress for the expenses of Amin Bey, remained unexpended.

Mr. Marshall, of Kentucky, introduced a bill for the purchasing of the outstanding stock in the Louisville and Portland Canal, and for enlarging the canal to suit the wants of commerce. It was referred to the committee on Roads and Canals.

Senate.
Foreign Relations—Mason, Douglass, Nor-
ris, Mangum, and Underwood.
Finance—Hunter, Bright, Gwin, Pearson
and Miller
Commerce—Hamlin, Soule, Dodge
Wisconsin, Davis, and Seward.

Manufactures—Sebastian, Bayard, Stoughton, Upham, and James.
Agriculture—Soule, Walker, Atchison, Spruance and Wade.
Military Affairs—Shields, Clemens, Bland, Dawson, and Jones of Tennessee.
Militia—Houston, Dodge of Wisconsin, Bayard, Morton and Spruance.

Naval Affairs—Gwin, Stockton, Mallo
Badger, and Fish.
Public Lands—Felch, Shields, Dodge
Iowa, Underwood and Pratt.
Private Land Claims—Downs, Whitcor
Clemens, Davis and Hale.
Indian Affairs—Atchison, Sebastian, Ru

Claims—Brodhead, Whitcomb, Bays
Pratt, and Wade.
Revolutionary Claims—Walker, Ch
James, Foot, and Sumner.
Judiciary—Butler, Downs, Bradbury,
rien, and Geyer.
Post Office and Post Roads—Rusk, So